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Department of Environmental Protection

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Brian Helland Northern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command 10 Industrial Highway, Mail Stop 82 Lester, PA 19113

Dear Mr. Helland:

Re: Site Investigation Report for the Closure of Four USTs C-19,C-23,C-54 and Tank 500
Naval Weapons Station Earle
Colts Neck Twp., Monmouth Co.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (Department) has reviewed the above referenced report, prepared by Roy F. Weston on behalf of the Naval Weapons Station Earle. The report is approved pending incorporation of the following comments:

- 1. For the tanks abandoned in place, it is difficult to verify if the soil samples were taken at the proper depth. The drawings of the tank profiles are not to scale, therefore the depth of the base of the tank is difficult to determine. If these tank profile drawings are accurate, then the samples for tank 500 were not taken deep enough. According to the drawing, the base of the tank is at 14 foot depth interval. The soil samples were taken at the 12 to 13 foot depth interval.
- On the sample location drawings, it would be helpful if these drawings were to scale. It is difficult to determine the distances of the sample locations from/within the excavations based on either the drawings or the sample log sheets.
- 3. There is no justification in the report to warrant abandoning Tank C-19 in place. Please provide documentation as to why the tank was abandoned in place along with the applicable P.E certification.

If you have any questions, please call me at (609)-633-7327.

Sincerely,

Bob Marcolina, Case Manager

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